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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Thomas P. Hager and Richard N. Lehman
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Filing Date: October 31, 2001
For: COMPACT HYBRID FIBER REINFORCED RODS FOR
OPTICAL CABLE REINFORCEMENTS AND
METHOD FOR MAKING SAME

Examiner: Jill M. Gray
Art Unit: 1774

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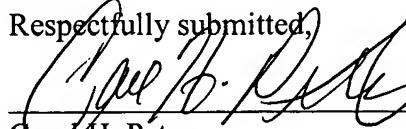
Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

- (1) RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.121 MAILED MAY 25, 2005 and SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION; and
- (2) RETURN POST CARD.

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Respectfully submitted,



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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT AND
SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 25, 2004**

Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed May 25, 2005, Applicants submit this supplemental response to the Office Action mailed August 25, 2004 including the correction identified in the Notice. The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment indicated that the Remarks and Claims sections should not be on the same page. The Remarks and Claims sections have been separated onto different pages from the response. Otherwise, the response is identical to that submitted on February 22, 2005.

AMENDMENTS

Amendments to Claims 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)

Applicants respectfully request amendment of claims 1-6 and claims 23-28, and cancellation of claim 29, as provided below. In addition, Applicants respectfully request addition of new claims 30-32 to the present application, as provided below.